

NEIC Support Requests

NEIC will continue to direct its new activities toward national and regional initiatives and priorities as described in the OECA MOA guidance and the regional MOAs. NEIC project selection will also be guided by the Administrator's themes, the Agency Strategic Plan, GPRA, and the national goals effort. NEIC activities will be focused on an enforcement/compliance end point. Furthermore, NEIC will be examining requests for assistance based upon the potential for producing measurable environmental results and the degree to which activities provide opportunity to use or enhance unique capabilities (e.g., multi-disciplined teams, in-depth process evaluations, complex analytical procedures, etc.). As in the past, NEIC will continue to support ongoing projects to the extent commitments were made in FY 1999 or previous years, including case preparation and enforcement support.

To initiate discussions necessary to plan and schedule appropriate enforcement support for FY 2000, NEIC would like to receive requests from the regions by **June 18, 1999**. It is important that NEIC receive all regional submissions by June 18th to allow for an examination of all projects in line with resources. These requests should be as specific as possible, and include information to help NEIC determine whether they can provide the requested support. As completely as possible, this information should include:

- facility/project name and location;
- desired enforcement support (type of investigation, technical assistance, information request, etc.);
- desired time frame (if critical);
- desired outcome of project (enforcement, measurable environmental impact, corrective action, settlement, compliance, etc.);
- Regional/Headquarters priority(ies)/initiative(s) involved;
- a brief description regarding how and why this particular facility/project was selected for NEIC support; and
- a name and phone number of a contact for additional information.

During the review of the requests, NEIC will have discussions with the various regional contacts regarding aspects of each request. The combination of information sent with the original request and that obtained during these discussions will enable NEIC to determine whether the requested support can be provided. The final decisions and commitments will be included in the negotiated MOAs.

If you have any questions regarding this process please contact either Gene Lubieniecki, (303) 236-6112, or Jack Neylan (202) 564-5033. Please send NEIC support requests to both Gene and Jack.

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